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(Rule 53(b) Continuation or Divisional)

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This requests a Continuation or Divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of prior application:

Appln. No.:	10/288,448	Group Art. Unit:	2824
Filed on:	November 6, 2002	Examiner:	Lebentritt, Michael
Entitled:	SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THEREOF		

- 1. The entire disclosure of the pending, prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.
- 2. Submitted herewith is a copy of the complete prior application as filed.
- 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application, 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1). **DELETE** the following inventor(s): _____.
- 4. Submitted herewith is a copy of the signed Oath/Declaration from the prior application.
- 5. Small entity status was established in the prior application, and is still proper and desired.
- 6. A _____ month Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently in the prior application.
- 7. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and/or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 08-1480.
- 8. A check in the amount of \$ 810.00 for filing and assignment fees is submitted herewith.
- 9. Insert before the first sentence of the specification: This application is a Continuation of nonprovisional U.S. Application No. 10/288,448 filed on November 6, 2002.
- 10. Cancel in this application original claims _____ of prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- 11. The prior application is assigned of record to: Hitachi, Ltd.
- 12. Priority is claimed based on U.S. Application No. 10/288,448 filed on November 6, 2002, which is a Continuation Application of U.S. Application No. 09/942,668 filed on August 31, 2001, which claims the priority of Japanese Application No. 2000-316964 filed on October 17, 2000.
- 13. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 14. Other: Information Disclosure Statement w/ PTO-1449

THE FILING FEE IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:			Basic Fee:	\$ 770.00
Total Claims:	5	-20=	0	× \$18 = 0.00
Independent claims:	1	-3=	0	× \$86 = 0.00

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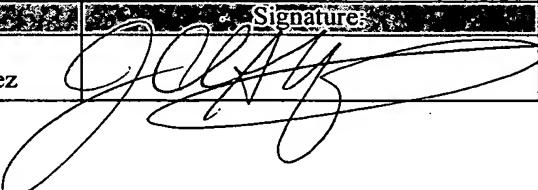
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Multiple Dependent Claim
(Add \$280.00): 0

Subtotal: 770.00

50% Reduction if Small Entity Status: 0

Total: 770.00

Date:	Name:	Signature:	Reg. No.:
February 11, 2004	Stanley P. Fisher Juan Carlos A. Marquez		24,344 34,072